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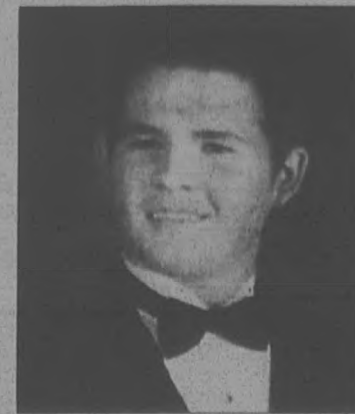
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During Coffee County BOE meeting

Making Academics Count resolution adopted

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Board of Education approved its first budget amendment for the fiscal year Wednesday, May 15, during a called meeting of the board.

"When we started the school year, some things changed that weren't in the proposed budget," Superintendent Dr. Linda Ingram said.

She said this basically meant that the school system got some additional monies which were not reflected in the proposed budget approved by the board, and the amendment was necessary to reflect the changes from the original proposal.

Ingram said the major change included increased revenues of restricted items by about \$300,000. Also, she said the system had experienced some decreases in expenditures.

"This is a technical item," Ingram said. "We're not doing anything different. We just needed to amend this to reflect the changes from the original proposal."

The budget amendment passed with a unanimous vote.

Ingram presented the idea of creating a job description for a computer technician within the county school system to board

members. "As our technology increases, we will need more service," she said. "We wouldn't have to wait for service if we had our own computer technician."

Ingram said if the school system chose to hire its own computer technician, there would be no waiting for a technician to come from somewhere else to tend to the schools' needs. Instead, the system would have its own in-house technician which would keep more consistency with the equipment.

If the board decides to look at hiring a computer technician, Ingram said the school system would need a job description already set, and she said most of the salary for this type position would be paid through federal monies.

Board vice chairman Danny Jernigan said this is the first time he has heard of any idea of a problem with the computer technicians currently being sought even though the board often asks if the technicians are meeting the school system's needs.

Ingram responded by insisting there has not been a problem with the technicians, but the idea is that the school system would be better served in the future by having its own technician instead of having to wait for one.

"We just want to explore in that direction to see where we are and where we are going," she said.

No action was taken on this matter.

Upon the superintendent's recommendation, the board approved the following personnel matters:

Kinston - Certified
Accept the resignation of Patty Taylor, assistant principal at Kinston Elementary School. Taylor submitted her resignation in order to accept employment at Opp Middle School.

Accept the resignation of Joy Davis, business education teacher at Kinston High School. Davis submitted her resignation in order to seek employment in another state.

Kinston - Support
Non-renew Joni Smith, WIA aide.
Non-renew Anita Peacock, bus driver.

Accept the voluntary transfer of Jimmie Baker, non-certificated instructional aide from a K-6 non-certificated instructional aide to a K-12 non-certificated instructional aide.

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C.C. Sheriff's Department seizes marijuana plants

by Linda Hodge, Editor

A Coffee County property owner got quite a surprise last weekend when he came up from his mobile residence to check his property and stumbled upon marijuana plants being grown.

Coffee County Sheriff Ben Moates said his department seized 453 marijuana plants valued at \$2,000 per mature plant on Saturday, May 18. The plants were being grown on a piece of property in the Shiloh community.

"It has probably been four years or so since we have found that much marijuana in one seizure," said Moates. "Most of the time, we only find 10 to 12 plants."

Moates said the plants were found by the property owner, and he was not sure what he had

found growing on his property. Therefore, he called Myron Williams, chief deputy with the Coffee County Sheriff's Department, who also resides in the Shiloh community.

Moates said Williams immediately recognized the plants as marijuana plants, and the department began its seizure and investigation.

At this time, the persons responsible for the cultivation of the plants are unknown. However, Moates said charges are pending based upon the determination of the suspect(s) through the ongoing investigation.

Anyone with information pertaining to this investigation is urged to contact the Coffee County Sheriff's Department at 894-5535.



Coffee County Sheriff Ben Moates (right) and Investigator Donnie Farris (left) show off some of the 453 marijuana plants seized in the Shiloh community last Saturday, May 18.

Agriscience department termination remains unresolved by Elba BOE

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba School Board tabled any action on terminating the Agriscience department at Elba High School for another month.

There were nine students and seven adults in attendance at the meeting either addressing the board members or to hear their decision on the issue.

Superintendent Danny Weeks had previously recommended to the board that this program be terminated in order to keep the budget out of a deficit situation.

Board members accepted five retirement request. The list included five classroom teachers and one lunchroom worker. They are Joanie Doggett, Elementary Librarian; Janice

Phillips, Special Education (elementary); Candace Vaughan, Kindergarten; Judith Tucker, High School English and Ethel Henderson, CNP worker.

Weeks reported to the board on the status of using existing capital outlay bond issue funds. He said the system had purchased three 35 HP mowers (and may buy a tractor), will repair one bus rather than buying a new \$53,000 bus. He added they were trying to spend this money wisely and buy equipment the school really needs.

The meeting closed with a quick review of the many end-of-school activities planned during the last days of school.

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Alabama launches 2002 Memorial Day Click It or Ticket campaign

Just a few years ago, Alabama had the 11th worst fatality rate in the nation. Now, it has the nation's 10th highest seat belt usage rate. Since 1999,

Alabama's seat belt usage rate has climbed from 58 percent to 79.4 percent. In 2000, as compared to 1999, there were 162 fewer deaths and over 3,500

fewer injuries as a result of traffic crashes.

Despite Alabama's rising seat belt usage rate, there are still drivers who don't buckle up themselves or their children. In fact, more than 20 percent of Alabamians still refuse to buckle up. These drivers should beware because the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA) is conducting an enforcement blitz involving every law enforcement agency in Alabama to crack down on drivers who violate adult seat belt or child passenger safety laws.

"Although Alabama's current seat belt usage rate is 79.4 percent, this is not enough," said Colonel James Alexander, director of the Alabama Department of Public Safety. "The truth is that there remains a portion of the population that refuses to wear seat belts. This is especially true in certain geographic areas like Montgomery, Mobile and Etowah counties. With seat belt usage rates below 70 percent, these three counties will be especially targeted during the campaign."

In 2000, 78.8 percent (801) of the 986 Alabamians who died in crashes were unrestrained.

Research shows that minorities are less likely to wear their seat belts and, therefore, at a greater risk to be involved in car crashes that result in serious injury or death. In Alabama, African-Americans buckle up 3

percent less than whites and Latinos buckle up 20 percent less than whites. Car crashes are the leading cause of death for African-American children under the age of fourteen. Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for Latinos ages 1-44 and the third leading cause of death overall for Latinos of all ages, surpassed only by heart disease and cancer.

"Not only will we target geographic areas with low seat belt usage rates, but we will also concentrate on getting the word out in the minority community," said Colonel Alexander. "We value all lives equally and are concerned that we are losing African-Americans and Latinos at such a high rate. We have to make sure that our African-

Americans buckle up."

The annual event was held at Enterprise State Junior College, and the estimated 3,000 county participants didn't let a little rain spoil the fun as they walked, talked, ate, played and enjoyed the fellowship throughout the evening. As always, the most solemn part of the evening was the lighting of the luminaries in memory and honor of those who have battled cancer, and a silent lap around the track was taken honoring those who lost their battle to the dreaded disease. Annette Helms, Ella Jean Vaughan and Patsy Meeks, members of the Elba United Methodist Church team, are shown above lighting candles for the luminary ceremony. The smaller picture shows some of the members of The Peoples Bank of Coffee County team passing time with a card game. Those caught holding the cards include Stacey Parker, Rene Bradshaw, Shirley Henderson, Amy Bowers and Judd Bowers. On a side note, Jack-in-the-Box Daycare of the Zion Chapel community placed second in the t-shirt contest with The Peoples Bank of Coffee County placing third.

Coffee County raises \$206,515 for relay for life



Citizens of Coffee County again exceeded everyone's expectations as they raised \$206,515 during the Tenth Annual Coffee County Relay for Life. For the second year in a row, Coffee County exceeded its \$200,000 goal in raising money to help fund research and find a cure for cancer. The annual event was held at Enterprise State Junior College, and the estimated 3,000 county participants didn't let a little rain spoil the fun as they walked, talked, ate, played and enjoyed the fellowship throughout the evening. As always, the most solemn part of the evening was the lighting of the luminaries in memory and honor of those who have battled cancer, and a silent lap around the track was taken honoring those who lost their battle to the dreaded disease. Annette Helms, Ella Jean Vaughan and Patsy Meeks, members of the Elba United Methodist Church team, are shown above lighting candles for the luminary ceremony. The smaller picture shows some of the members of The Peoples Bank of Coffee County team passing time with a card game. Those caught holding the cards include Stacey Parker, Rene Bradshaw, Shirley Henderson, Amy Bowers and Judd Bowers. On a side note, Jack-in-the-Box Daycare of the Zion Chapel community placed second in the t-shirt contest with The Peoples Bank of Coffee County placing third.

Area Happenings

MEMORIAL DAY EVENT A Memorial Day Ceremony at Veterans Memorial Park in Elba on Monday, May 27, at 2 p.m. will include the dedication of a new Veterans Memorial Exhibit and UH-1 Helicopter Display. The featured speaker will be US Congressman Terry Everett, Elba Mayor James Grimes, New Brockton Mayor Charles Cole and Enterprise Mayor Tim Alford will be participating in the afternoon's events with music provided by the 98th Army Silver Wings Band from Fort Rucker. Veterans who contributed memorabilia for the exhibit, or the families of deceased veterans, will be recognized and honored during this special ceremony. For more information about the event, or to donate memorabilia, please call Jack E. Brunson at 334-897-2273 Ext. 212 or Betty Brunson at Ext. 204. Veterans Memorial Park is located on Highway 84, East of downtown Elba.

HOLIDAY CLOSING The City of Elba offices will be closed Monday, May 27, in observance of Memorial Day. There will be standby crews for any emergency with electricity, water, street or sewer. To report an emergency please call the Elba Police Department at 897-2555. The offices will reopen at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, May 28. The Elba City Council meeting scheduled for Monday, May 27, has been rescheduled to Tuesday, May 28, at 5:30 p.m.

ELBA PUBLIC LIBRARY The library will be closed Monday, May 27, in observance of Memorial Day. Summer of Mystery, the summer reading program, will be held at 10 a.m. on June 5, 12, 19, 26 and July 9 & 16.

COMMUNITY MEETING Due to the Memorial Day holiday, the bi-monthly meeting of the Coffee County Commission will be Tuesday, May 28, at 9 a.m. in the community room of the county complex in New Brockton.

NOTICE

The last day to register to vote in the June 4 Primary Election is Friday, May 24.

Anyone having questions about his/her voting status or polling place should call the Coffee County Board of Registrars in New Brockton at 894-5347 between the hours of 8 a.m. to 12 Noon and 1-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

EDITORIAL

FROM THE HOUSE

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

Last weekend we caught one of Letter to Editor writers with bogus return address. Getting things via e-mail is increasing almost weekly, but it also means there is no post office cancellation stamp, etc. so the letter come come from the middle of Africa, Russia or wherever and it would look the same in the computer. Anyway, when our return e-mail to the sender came back as undeliverable, we knew it had been tried again.

The letter wasn't one the writer should have wanted to hide from. It was an opinion about the U. S. administration and the lack of prior public notice of the 9-11 events. Letters on the subject with false names and addresses make us think the debate on this issue is being fanned for political or other personal gain goals by people who know having their real name involved would let the cat out of the bag.

Our personal opinion on the should they shouldn't they notify the public of every treat received from whatever source is no. Just look at the complaints shortly after 9-11 when the Governor of California repeated information on a possible terrorist treat the FBI had relayed to him. After the time had passed and nothing happened, the public was outraged because he was upsetting people without due cause. That is exactly what would have happened before 9-11 if the alarm had been sounded. That is if people paid any attention at all to the warning. The end results of all this now is that we have had several "warnings" of what might happen. So, should all apartment owners do a daily search of their rental units, looking in the closets, under the beds and in the dresser drawers for explosives? Maybe they should only do that with renters who are obviously foreign nationals, and then spend the rest of their life defending lawsuits. Actually, we should all be careful, within reason, but if Americans spend every working moment chasing boogers, that would be the most successful terrorist attack anyone could launch!

We agree with the actions taken by the Elba Water and Electric Board last week when they voted to add a \$5.00 volunteer charge to all utility bills, benefiting the schools. It gives those who want to help the schools a methodical way of getting their money to the schools. At the same time, anyone who doesn't want to help, or simply can't afford the extra \$5, can just deduct the amount and it is their business, and their business alone. The clerk receiving the check will handle the payment along with hundreds of others and promptly forgo who did or didn't do what. This amount of money will not solve all the schools problems, but whatever it totals, it will help and a strong community support will help a lot.

As usual American goes overboard. An eighth grader in California shot a spitball in a classroom and it hit a classmate in the eye. Of course his parents are suing for money and maybe that is justified, even if the victim in this case was the best spitball shooter in the building. However, school officials filed criminal charges and this kid could spend eight years in jail after he was convicted in court of two felony charges. If all America sets the bar for jailing people that low, someone had better start building new, much bigger jails, and working around the clock. On second thought, just turn the convicted criminals out and lock up the few who manage somehow to stay out of jail.

Alabama voters will go to the polls in eleven days (May 4th) to select candidates in both the Democrat and Republican primaries. Yet the silence is almost deafening! Neither the candidates nor their rank and file supporters, are making much noise or speaking out very loudly for their cause. Oh, once a week or so a candidate will fax out a "press release" accusing opponents of being bad guys. Or they will fax out a "press release" telling everyone how they will change Alabama, failing to mention that the legislature is the group that passes new laws. Anyway, we are getting our list ready for voting day and hope you are doing the same. If there is anything worse than not voting, it is voting without the slightest clue of which candidate best matches your needs or wishes.

ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Elba General Hospital had the following patients admitted during the time period of May 13, 2002, through May 19, 2002. They were: Brenda Cosson, Mildred Shirley, Sharrell Griffin, Frances Johnson, Jerry Martin, Foyle Bryan, Winnie James, Renae Caswell, Gregory Dean, Wallace Belcher, Fannie Berry, Britley Parker, Marie Tillis, Rosa Coleman, Elizabeth Parker, Glenda Clark, Shelia Armstrong, Jennifer Ware and

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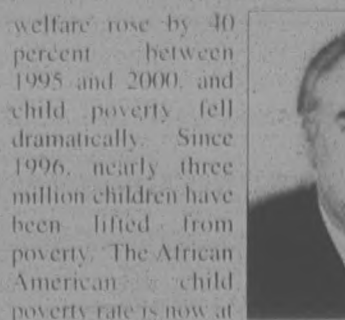
Coffee County & Surrounding Counties - \$17 per year
6 Months - \$9, including city & state tax
Alabama Counties - \$19 per year - including tax
6 months - \$10
Outside Alabama - \$21 per year - 6 months - \$11

Congressman Terry Everett
Incredibly, for decades, the federal government measured the success of welfare by how many people were "on" rather than "off" its assistance rolls. With such reverse logic, it's no wonder that millions become trapped in the hopelessness of government dependency. The facts speak for themselves. When Americans are able to stand on their own two feet, instead of relying on government handouts, they can build a better future for themselves and their families.

After Congress's passage of the landmark Welfare Reform Act in 1996, welfare caseloads fell by nine million — from 11 million recipients in 1994 to just five million today. Alabama had 43,000 on welfare rolls in 1995 and as of last summer that number declined to 18,000. Nationally, employment by mothers most likely to go on

welfare rose by 40 percent between 1995 and 2000 and child poverty fell dramatically. Since 1996, nearly three million children have been lifted from poverty. The African American child poverty rate is now at a record low, and the poverty rate among Hispanic children had its largest four-year decrease in history. Children from single mothers do better at home — goals which ultimately will stem the cycle of welfare dependence in our society.

In order to strengthen the success of welfare reform this new legislation also encourages well-earned work requirements by increasing the percentage of welfare caseloads states must have in work programs to 70 percent up from the current 50 percent level. And welfare recipients would be required to work 40 hours a week instead of the current 30 hours a week. These new requirements would



Work, and Family Promotion Act (HR 4737), which passed the House last Thursday, provides \$300 million annually for programs to encourage healthy marriages, and two parent married families. These include pre-marital education and counseling, as well as research and technical assistance. Children from single mothers do better at home — goals which ultimately will stem the cycle of welfare dependence in our society.

The new welfare reform bill will provide an additional \$2 billion for child care over the next five years, and establish a \$20 million grant fund to support community efforts to promote responsible fatherhood. Welfare reform is about lifting up needy Americans and helping them through promoting independence. Men, women and children of all races, creeds and ethnicities benefit from a well-planned and carefully implemented system of anti-poverty measures. I will keep working to improve today's system as we look ahead to the challenges of tomorrow. Through this effort, we will secure America's future.

be phased in over seven years. States have already been doing an excellent job in administering welfare programs, in part, due to the flexibility they were given by Congress in 1996. The new welfare reform legislation gives states more latitude by allowing them to control up to 16 hours a week of education, job training or substance abuse treatment as "work."

The consumption of alcohol is not sinful or immoral. There are too many references in the bible to refute that. Including the following: Timothy 5: Stop drinking water, and drink a little wine, it is good for the stomach; or Matthew 26: where wine was used at the Last Supper; or John's account of Jesus' first miracle — the changing of water into WINE — John 2:5 says — on this mountain the Lord Almighty will prepare a feast of rich food for all peoples, the best of meats and the finest of wines.

Gluttony is a sin, according to scripture. But we sell food in Elba, at restaurants, even though people may be guilty of overeating.

Numbers 6 has a reference to not drinking wine... if you are a Nazirite, refrain from wine... but it goes on to say not to eat raisins or grapes too... anyone want to ban that from sale in Elba, because there is a reference to not consuming them in the bible?

I am a card carrying Christian, born again believer, and looking forward to the rapture. I also have a glass of wine with my dinner, which neither makes me a sinner or an immoral person.

I hope the voters give Elba the benefit of the tax revenue the sale of alcoholic beverages in Elba would generate.

Thank you,
J.A. Hodge

Bridal Registry

Katie Terrell & Matt Morrow
Wedding: 05/04/02 Reception: 06/02/02
Sasha Kidd & Brady O'Neal
Shower: 05/19/02 Wedding: 06/15/02
Stephane McDonald & Trent Calhoun
Shower: 4/14/02 Wedding: 06/01/02
Mandy Shirley & Wade Mundy
Shower: 4/21/02 Wedding: 6/08/02
Heather Davis & Jason Fox
Shower: 6/15/02 Wedding: 6/22/02
Molly Logan & Christopher Phillip Jones
Shower: 5/5/02 Wedding: 5/25/02
Heather Lawford & Anthony Strickland
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

After reading the various letters regarding the sale of alcohol in Elba I felt I needed to present an opposing view.

As a tax paying citizen of Elba, I would like to see the wet/dry vote pass in favor of the sale of alcoholic beverages. Alcohol is not the problem, those who abuse alcohol are the problem. Not selling it in Elba, does not keep those who would use it, or some who may abuse it, from having it. They can buy it elsewhere and deprive Elba from any of the tax revenue it generates which could be used for various purposes of improvement in Elba.

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I felt compelled to write this letter to say Thank You To Elba's Animal Control Officer, George Homyak. Years ago, I visited the "Elba Pound" and was appalled at its condition and the animals that it kept. Basically, it was deplorable.

It is my understanding that Mr. Homyak has been the Animal Control Officer for a few years now and he is commended! The Animal Shelter is clean. The dogs have an ample supply of clean water and proper food. The pens are clean. Mr. Homyak is quite courteous and obviously cares for the animals. He was visibly delighted when we adopted more than one pet and happy to see the improvement and positive change in the sickest dog, when we took him for a few days later.

We went with intentions of finding an outdoor dog to be a new "buddy" for our 10 year old dog Charlie, whose "best buddy" died a couple of weeks ago. We eventually adopted two dogs and tried for three but the third did not mesh well with our other pets. Hopefully she has since found a home. Meanwhile, our Charlie is so happy to have a playmate and "Sport" is very happy to be at his new home. Bo Bo, the other dog we adopted has many heart health problems, including many worms, which can be fatal. We have fallen in love with Bo Bo, so he will be staying and we will work with Dr. John Lester and his staff to get him back to good health. He is proving to be an excellent house dog with excellent manners and a very friendly disposition. Thank you, Mr. Homyak for working with us.

Other than thanking and praising Elba's animal control officer, I want to beg potential pet owners to think twice before taking home a pet. It is a long-term commitment — that is, if you are willing to care for the animal appropriately. If you are not willing to get your pet the appropriate vaccinations it needs, provide decent housing and plenty of love and attention, PLEASE do not get a pet. If you already have one, please make sure it is neutered or spayed and is healthy. If you don't think you need to, make a visit to Elba's Animal Shelter or the S.O.S. Animal Shelter in Enterprise. There are not enough good homes for all the pets that need love and care now. It is senseless to allow pets to reproduce, only to abandon them, starve them or have them live out their lives on a chain or "put down" at the animal shelter.

As an accountant and a concerned parent, Betty Peters of Dothan has accepted this challenge to offer her experience and interest in becoming a candidate for this District. She is dedicated to strong academics and insuring that our tax dollars are spent with common sense. She is a proponent of a curriculum that reflects traditional family values and conservative use of taxpayers' dollars.

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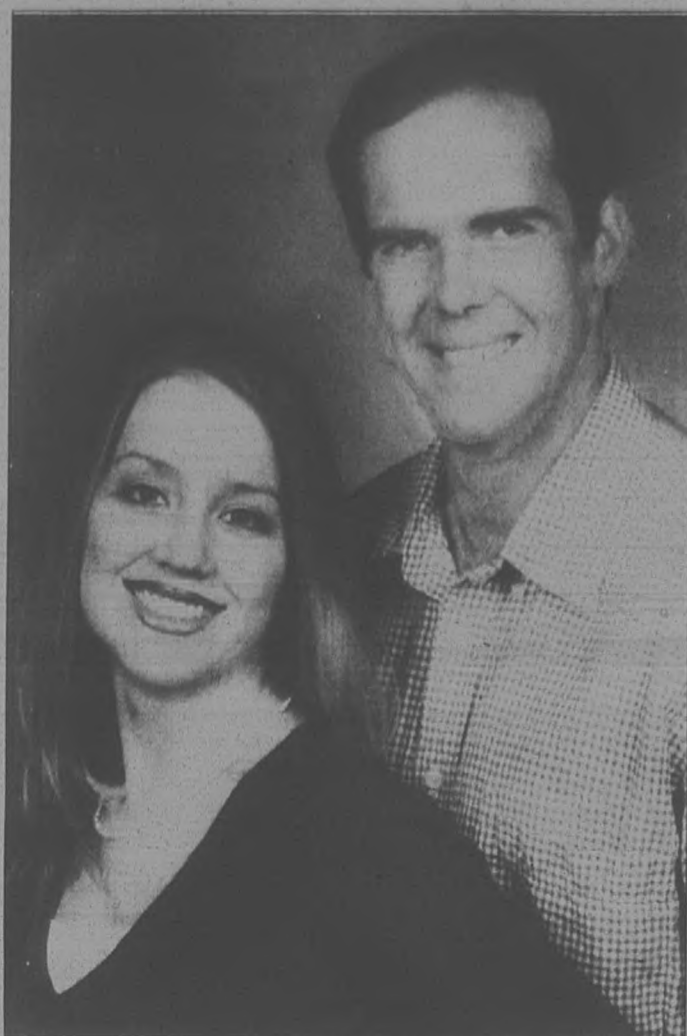
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LIFESTYLES

Miss Nelson and Mr. Maddox to be united in marriage Saturday, June 8



Miss Nelson and Mr. Maddox

Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Nelson announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Ashley Yvonne Nelson, to Benjamin David Maddox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dale F. Maddox, and also the son of the late Susan Maddox.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Evelyn and Fletcher Hodge of Elba, and the late Ivey and Pauline Nelson of Brantley. She is a 1998 graduate of Zion Chapel High School and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Administration and Human Resource Management at Troy State University. Miss Nelson is currently employed at a law firm in Elba. She plans to begin law school in August.

The future groom is the grandson of Dr. and Mrs. Fred B. Perry, Jr. of Auburn, Ala. and Charlie and Louise Maddox of Macon, Ga. He is a 1996 graduate of Zion Chapel High School. He is self-employed as a carpenter in Elba. The wedding will be an event of June 8, 2002 at 10:00 a.m. at the Arboretum on the Troy State Campus in Troy, Ala. Reception will immediately follow. No local invitations are being sent. All family and friends are invited to attend.



Miss Tompkins & Mr. Mason

Miss Tompkins & Mr. Mason to share vows on Friday, June 7

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Tompkins of Brantley announce the engagement of their daughter, Jennifer Tompkins, to Kenneth Mason, son of James Mason of Lapine and Betty Cooper of Highland Home.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mrs. Louise Tompkins and the late W.D. (Buck) Tompkins of Brantley, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lester of Glenwood.



Miss Edwards & Mr. Brunson

Miss Edwards & Mr. Brunson plan June wedding

Tanisha Diane Edwards and William Brian O'Neal Brunson will be united in marriage at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, June 7, 2002, at Rocky Head Missionary Baptist Church in Elba, Ala.

Miss Edwards is the daughter of Willie Merle Edwards of Opp and Jerry Siler of Elba. She is the granddaughter of Mittie B. Edwards and Annie Pearl Siler both of Opp.

Mr. Brunson is the son of Pennie Ingram of Elba and Rufus Williams of Arton. He is the grandson of Ida Hooks and Katherine Williams both of Elba.

Deadline For
Social
News Is
Monday!

ESJC Summer Semester to begin May 28

Enterprise State Junior College announced the 2002 Summer Semester will begin May 28. Most of the full-semester courses will meet on Mondays and Wednesdays or Tuesdays and Thursdays, while mini-term courses will meet Mondays-Fridays in the mornings only. There will be no Friday afternoon classes. For information on how to be admitted to the College or how to register, call the main campus at 334-393-ESJC, ext. 234 or the Ft. Rucker campus at 334-598-3438. Information is also available at the College's website, www.esjc.edu.

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Logan
and
Mr. and Mrs. Glen P. Jones
request the pleasure of your company
at the marriage of their children
Molly
and
Christopher Phillip
on Saturday, the twenty-fifth of May
two thousand and two
at four o'clock in the afternoon
Elba Church of Christ
715 Troy Highway
Elba, Alabama

Reception immediately following
National Security Conference Center
661 E. Davis Street, Elba

SUMMER REGISTRATION

Come and join us at ...

REGISTRATION
Andalusia/Greenville

Tuesday, May 28, 2002
8 a.m. - 6 p.m.
(All Students)

Classes Begin May 29, 2002

LATE REGISTRATION
May 29 & 30, 2002

Andalusia: 222-6591 Greenville: 382-2143 ext. 3100

Pictured left to right: Smart Math, Brantley, Rickie Cox, Opp, Leighann Channell, Opp (interior), and Ron Addison, Elba.

New Hope Reunion planned for May 25

The 10th annual reunion of those who attended New Hope School in North Holmes County, Fla., is Saturday, May 25, beginning at 10 a.m. at the Masonic Hall on the old school site, south of Highway 2 on 179A, the Geneva-Westville road.

Thousands of students, many of whom live in the Florida-Alabama-Georgia tri-state area, attended New Hope School which was operated from the 1890s to 1963. A covered-dish luncheon is held at noon.

For more information contact Roy Deal at (850)956-2496, 1976 Hwy. 2, Westville, FL 32461. Pearl Thompson (850)956-4537, 1384 Hwy. 163, Westville, FL 32464, or Hinton McKinnon (850)956-2214, 1687 Hwy. 160, Westville, FL 32461.



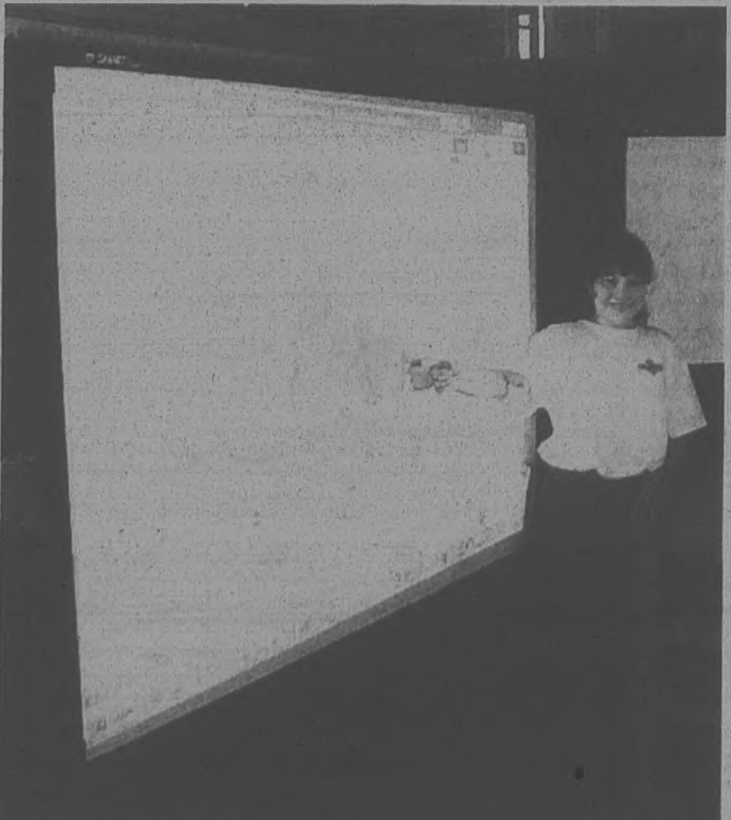
Miss Biggs & Mr. Thompson

Biggs-Thompson to wed May 25

Mark and Debbie Biggs of Andalusia, Ala., announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Dana Ann Biggs, to Jeremy Todd Thompson of Andalusia, Ala.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Brenda Thompson of Brewton, Ala. and Randy Thompson of Tennessee.

The wedding will take place on Friday, June 7, 2002, at Gathinburg, Tenn.



Stephanie Collier

(Picture by Michael Willard-Andalusia Star News)

Stephanie Collier wins "Smart" writing award

Stephanie Collier, a sixth-grade student at Andalusia Middle School, is the winner of the nationwide SMART Creative Writing competition.

For being winner of the nationwide competition, her school received a SMART Board interactive whiteboard, valued at about \$2,500.

Collier, daughter of Richard and Melinda Collier of Andalusia, composed a creative writing piece about what she would do with an imaginary piece of technological equipment. In her essay she described a situation where she received new technology that allowed her to interview any person, living or dead, and also included in the essay was information about why she chose the person, background of the person and a

description of the technology that allows her to conduct the interview. Her interview was with her grandfather who was a pilot in Vietnam, and the interview took place using an imaginary tool known as the "Busy Body."

"When he was young he was a pilot," Collier said of her grandfather.

The real-life equipment she won for the school is a SMART Board which serves as an interactive computer display that the school's teachers can use as instructional aids.

"I want to be a teacher," Collier said. "I think it is cool that I won something that will help the teachers at my school."

Stephanie is the granddaughter of Carolyn Smart of Elba.

LIFESTYLES

Fuller's to be honored on 50th wedding anniversary

In honor of the 50th wedding anniversary of Betty and Harold Fuller, their children and grandchildren request the pleasure of your company, at a reception on Saturday, the first of June, 2002, from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. at the Elba Church of Christ, 715 Troy Highway, Elba, AL.

No local invitations are being sent. All family and friends are invited to attend.

Fifth annual Beulah School Reunion to be held Saturday, June 1.

Games, Ray Jefferson and Recreation Center in Opp, Ala., will be the setting for the 5th Annual Beulah School Reunion on Saturday, June 1, 2002, from 10:00 a.m. till 3:00 p.m. Please bring a covered dish. For more information contact: Eddy Powell Nelson (334)493-5052, Katie Wilks (334)493-4937, Linda Powell Holloway (334)493-6818 or Marc Piland (334)493-6616.



Mr. & Mrs. Willie Dean Helms to be honored with 50th anniversary reception

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Dean Helms (Dean and Eselene) are honoring their parents with a 50th Wedding Anniversary reception Sunday, June 2, 2002 at St. John Baptist Church Fellowship Hall in Larensburg, Ala. from 2:00-4:00 in the afternoon. Family and friends are invited to celebrate this special occasion. No gifts please.

Elba's Florist & Gift Basket Delivery

Mandy Shirley & Wade Mandy
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Robin Rhoades & James Wilborn
Sasha Kidd & Brady O'Neal
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Molly Logan & Chris Jones

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Miss Cook & Mr. Anderson to be united in marriage Saturday, July 27

Mr. James Drexel Cook, Jr. and Mrs. Lynn Cook Weeks, both of Elba, announce the engagement of their daughter, Christina Lynn, to Thomas Treutlen Anderson, son of Dr. and Mrs. Paul Jackson Anderson, Jr., of Enterprise.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Drexel Cook, Mrs. Billy Paul Owens and the late Mr. Owens, all of Elba. She is a 1997 graduate of Elba High School and is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in elementary education at the University of Alabama at Birmingham and is a member of Alpha Gamma Delta social sorority.

The future groom is the grandson of Mrs. William Aubrey Dominick and the late Judge Dominick, of Tuscaloosa, and the late Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jackson Anderson, of Anniston. He is a 1996 graduate of Enterprise High School and a 2000 cum laude graduate of Birmingham Southern College where he received a Bachelor of Science degree in business finance. Mr. Anderson is a member of Kappa Alpha Order social fraternity and is currently pursuing his Juris Doctorate from the University of Alabama School of Law.

The wedding is planned for July 27, 2002 at 6:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of Elba. A reception will follow at the Fort Rucker Officer's Club. No local invitations will be sent. All family and friends are invited to attend.



Miss Christina Lynn Cook

Local students among Auburn's record spring graduating class

Several local students were among the record 2,443 who received degrees at Auburn University's spring commencement ceremonies held Saturday, May 11, in Beard-Eaves Memorial Coliseum.

The record number of graduates, which required that AU split the commencement into

two ceremonies, eclipsed the old record of 2,359 set last spring. Below is a list of area graduates: ELBA: D.V.M. — Robyn Michelle Rhoades, Bachelor's — Patricia Renee Nicholson, NEW BROCKTON: Bachelor's — Andrew Hunter Harris.

Don't Forget to
Vote
Tuesday,
June 4th

Happy 50th

Wedding Anniversary

To

Fred (Pete) T. and
Jeanell (Scottie) S. Martin

What a wonderful road the two of you have traveled

Always showing the love you have for each other

It is no wonder that

in all these years

That you are truly my inspiration.

All the joy and love I have found with my family

Was best shown by the love you gave to

one another

and to me

Thanks for being my Mom and Dad!

Lots of Love from Denver

Jeff, Jan, Nicole, Joshua and "Miss Molly"

SCHOOLS

Class of 2002 offered nearly \$1 million in scholarships

On May 7, the students of EHS were honored for their accomplishments throughout the year. The honorees were as follows:



Senior Ashley Harrelson was honored with the New Seasons Study Club Sons & Daughters Scholarship and the James Gibbs Memorial Scholarship.



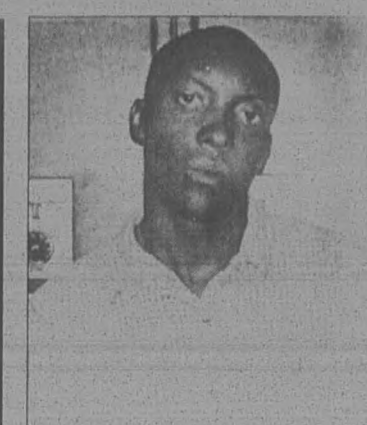
Seniors Amanda Spicer, Chelsea Cooper and Casey Skinner received scholarships from the University of South Alabama.



Senior Bobbie Jo York received the PENDA Corporation Sons and Daughters Scholarship.



Senior Katie Crowe was honored with the Judge Eric Paul Sunday School Class First Baptist Church of Elba scholarship and EHS Good Citizen.



Senior Demetrick Caldwell received a scholarship from the Alabama Army National Guard.



Senior Beta member were presented with Beta Club Stoles



Senior Evan Maddox received a scholarship from Auburn University and was named a Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholar.



Seniors Katie Grimes, Brittany Daniels and Wesley Kelley were honored with the Farm City Outstanding Youth Award for Coffee County.



Seniors Katie Grimes, Kerri Lawford, Wesley Kelly, Stephanie Sasser, Brittany Daniels, Gavin Mauldin, Rush Brunson, Chelsea Cooper, Evan Maddox, Jonathan Head, Austin Boothe, Ashley Harrelson, Chris Eiland, Rachel Bludworth, Sara Purvis, Casey Skinner, Shay Johnson, Bobbie Jo York, Katie Crowe, Francie English, Amanda Spicer, and Randy Beach were presented with their Honor Students Cords.



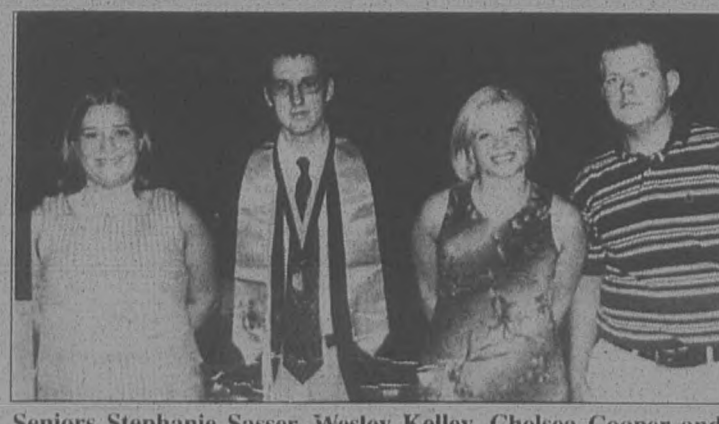
Seniors Kerri Lawford, Katie Grimes, and Lowayne Parks received scholarships from Lurleen B. Wallace State Junior College.



Senior Brittany Daniels was honored with a scholarship to Florida A&M University, acceptance into U.S. Military Academy at West Point, NY, the Adam Waddall Memorial Scholarship, and the Outstanding African-American Students of Alabama 2001-2002 Award.



Seniors Randy Beach, Chad Barbaree, Daniel Bowman, Brandy Davis, Christopher Eiland, and Carrie Nguyen received scholarships from Judson Community College.



Seniors Stephanie Sasser, Wesley Kelley, Chelsea Cooper and Austin Boothe received scholarships from Troy State University.



Senior Shay Johnson received the "Miss Elba" Scholarship sponsored by the New Seasons Study Club.



Senior Wesley Kelley was honored with a scholarship to Birmingham Southern College, a scholarship to Sanford University, DAR Good Citizen, the Toyota Community Scholarship Program, EHS Nominee, the District II Principal's Association 2002 Local School Representative, the Prudential Spirit of Community Award national nominee, the National Association of Principals Leadership Award nominee and a Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholar. Wesley also served as president of the Class of 2002.



Seniors Katie Grimes, Rachel Bludworth and Melissa Kelley received scholarships from Judson College.



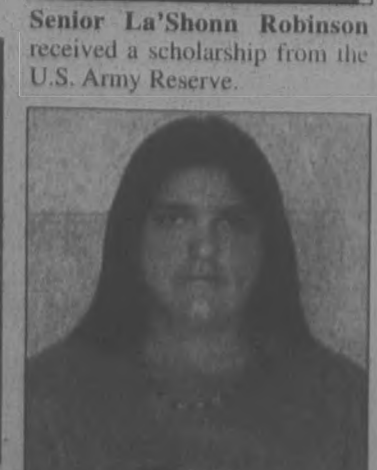
Seniors Stephanie Sasser and Casey Skinner received the National Security Group, Inc. Scholarship.



Senior La'Shonn Robinson received a scholarship from the U.S. Army Reserve.



Seniors Aaron Baxley (right), Kevin Baxley, and Brandon Wade (left) received scholarships from the U.S. Marines.



Senior Rachel Bludworth received the Kleinfert's of Elba Scholarship.

See Next Page for Additional Award Winners!!

SCHOOLS



Senior Katie Grimes was recognized for receiving a scholarship from the University of the South (Seawance). Sanford University, the Presidential Award for Educational Excellence, the Gaines Ray Jettison Scholarship, a nomination Birmingham Post-Herald 2002 All State Academic Team, being a finalist in the Coca-Cola "Share the Dream" Essay Contest, for being a finalist in the Moody and Beeson Exceptional Scholars Program, a Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship nominee and Valedictorian of the Class of 2002.



Seniors Rush Brunson and Stephanie Sasser received scholarships from the University of Alabama.



Seniors Rachel Bludworth and Austin Boothe received scholarships from Enterprise State Junior College.



Seniors Shay Johnson and Katie Crowe received scholarships from the Troy State Alumni Club - Elba Chapter.



Seniors Stephanie Sasser was honored with the National Wild Turkey Federation Scholarship and the Coffee County Soil and Water Conservation District Award.



Senior Gavin Mauldin was honored for receiving scholarships from Jacksonville State University, Liberty University, the Bryant-Jordan Foundation Scholar/Athlete Award, EHS Achievement Award and being named Salutatorian for the Class of 2002.



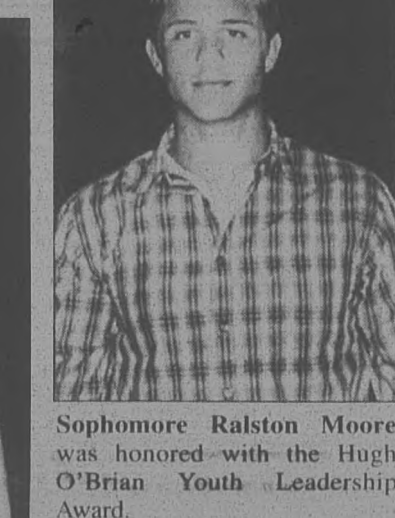
Seniors Melissa Kelley and Brandy Davis received culinary art scholarships from Trenholm State Technical College.



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Other seniors receiving scholarships included:

Seniors Richard Boutwell, Derrick Brooks, Annie Gene Campbell, LaTasha Crawford, Melissa Kelley, Carmella Reborn, Matthew Reed, Michael Reed, La'Shonn Robinson, Amanda Stokes, Brandon Tillery, Miranda Russell, LoWayne Parks, Aubrey Williams, Brent Bowers, Jason Gulley and Shannon Winters received scholarships to Douglas MacArthur State Technical College.
* Senior Darryl Burk received a scholarship from the U.S. Navy.
* Seniors Lorenzo Green and Donald Stelly received scholarships from the U.S. Army.
* Senior Carmella Rayborn received the Big/Little Corporation Scholarship.
* Senior Amanda Stokes received the Independent Living Scholarship sponsored by the State of Alabama.
* Senior Michael Holland received a scholarship from Patterson State Technical College.
* Seniors Casey Skinner and Amanda Spicer received scholarships to the University of South Alabama.



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SALUTE!!

Seniors Jessica Hathcock and Joseph Falls were honored for their poetry publications in the 2002 International Library of Poetry.



The 2002-2003 Student Government Association Installation of Officers ceremony was held. Secretary/treasurer Mallory Allen, vice-president DeAnn Smith, president Bart Barnes and historian Kristin Barnes were sworn into office.

Other Honors...

* Juniors Bart Barnes, Jason Curran, Sheena Flowers, Heather Hays, Jessica Hathcock, Devin Kilease, Blake Lambert, Carla Roberts, DeAnn Smith, Brandon Petty, and Kristy Ward were honored as AEC Essay Finalists. Devin Kilease was awarded an all expense paid trip to Washington, D.C.

* Juniors Sheena Flowers, Shawna Hill, Lagina Mack, and Samantha Williams were honored as 2002 Future Black Leaders Scholarship Finalists.

* Juniors Bart Barnes, Sheena Flowers, Jessica Hathcock, Blake Lambert, Courtney Pelham, DeAnn Smith, and Kristy Ward were honored for their participation in the 2002 Coffee County Youth Leadership Program.

* Alex Benbow, Blake Brunson, Brittany Cooper, Katie Driggers, Meredith English, Katrina Farris, Kimberly Farris, Sheena Flowers, Kaci Grantham, Jessica Hathcock, Heather Hay, Mary Katherine Head, Shawna Hill, and Ayona Procter were announced as the 2002-2003 Journalism Staff. Kimberly Farris was named editor of next year's edition of the Elba. Marcus Henderson, Adam Motz, and Leanna Sutley were announced as the 2002-2003 Broadcast Journalism Staff.

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I am asking the voters of District One to elect a parent to this office.

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CHURCH NEWS

College Street Assembly of God to host missions convention

The College Street Assembly of God Church will host a missions convention May 25th and 26th. The service on Saturday will begin at 7:00 p.m.

The speaker will be Becky Creek. Becky and her husband Robert have been missionaries to Greece, Africa, and now serve as maps Regional Missionary Coordinator. Rev. Shane Darrell and wife Shelley who are Chi Alpha ministers at the University of Alabama. Rev. J. B. Stevens and wife Dee Dee Campus Chi Alpha ministers at Auburn University.

The speakers on Sunday, May 26th in the 11:00 a.m. service will be Rev. Vernon Davis. He and his wife Sara are missionaries to India. Lunch will be served after morning service. In the afternoon service the speakers will be Rev. Ed Sapp who has been a missionary to the Philippines, Mexico, the Navajo Indians and Haiti; and Chaplain Steve Walker, Chaplain, Coordinator of the Bullock County Correctional Facility.



John Lanier

Gospel sing to be held May 24 at Country Cathedral

Gospel in Song presents the New Covenant Singers, Calvary and One Voice Crying in the Wilderness in concert on Friday,

May 24th, 7:00 p.m. at Country Cathedral in Opp, Ala. For more information call (334)493-7413 or (334)493-4965.

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT...?

A Service of the Elba Church of Christ

Is there anything wrong with drinking alcoholic beverages?

Yes!

For to drink alcoholic beverages is to break God's law (1 John 3:4). Yes, drinking any thing intoxicating other than for medicinal purposes (1 Timothy 5:23) is sin. It does not matter what the law of man has to say about the subject of drinking, for God's law is truly the supreme law of the land, and it says it is wrong to drink alcoholic beverages. It is permitted by the laws of the country for a woman to have an abortion if she so chooses. But, what does God's law have to say about murder? Therefore, the law of man is not the standard concerning the drinking of alcoholic beverages especially when it contradicts God's law.

The word of God states: "And he be drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the spirit" (Ephesians 5:18). Before anyone goes forth to show his "knowledge" of the Bible by saying it does not say "do not drink" rest assure that getting drunk is a process and it will never start if one never begins to drink. Furthermore, we are to be doing the opposite of getting drunk, for we are to be filled with the spirit. How is one truly being filled with the spirit, when he is beginning the process of getting drunk? Notice what is said about John the Baptist: For he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink; and he shall be filled with the Holy Ghost, even from his mother's womb" (Luke 1:15). Do you imagine that John the Baptist would have been filled with the Spirit if he drank of the "spirits"?

Now, concerning the recent proposal to allow the sale of intoxicating beverages in the city of Elba in order to levy an alcohol tax to raise money for schools, please consider this statement by the apostle Paul: "Let not then your good be evil spoken of" (Romans 14:16). Yes, it is good to raise money for schools, but it is wrong to promote the sale of alcohol in order to raise that money.

Jimmy Simmons

If you would like to submit a question for consideration to be used in this column, please send it to: "Questions and Answers," c/o Elba Church of Christ, P. O. Box 269, Elba, AL 36323. We invite everyone to attend the services of the Elba Church of Christ. Please call 897-2052 for times of services.

Revival planned at Taylor Hill Community Baptist Church

Taylor Hill Community Baptist Church (Hwy 166, 3 miles west of Elba) is holding a revival May 29-31, 7:00 p.m. The speaker will be Reverend Russell Manns.

Klondyke Gospel Music Center to hold gospel sings

The Anthonys, from Talladega, Ala., will be in concert Saturday, May 25th, 7:00 p.m. at the Klondyke Gospel Music Center located 1/2 way between Newton and Ozark, Ala. near mile marker 23 on State Highway 123. There will be no charge for admission.

Once Forgiveness, from Avon Park, Fla., will be in concert, May 31st, 7:00 p.m., at the Klondyke Gospel Music Center, located 1/2 way between Newton and Ozark, Ala. near mile marker 23, on State Highway 123. There will be no charge for admission.

PASTOR'S CORNER

Rev. Roy E. Davis
First Assembly of God

Let me ask you something. Do you want to be a better person? Most people do. Yet, if you're like so many people, you are living fair below the high ideals you harbor in your heart. Maybe it's because you don't know how to change. Maybe it's because you are treating symptoms instead of the disease.

The spiritual disease called sin cannot be cured by treating symptoms. The treatment must go much deeper. Habits like stealing, lying and taking God's name in vain, are only symptoms. They cannot be broken by simply turning over a new leaf. You don't treat a fever with ice water. If your skin is yellow, you don't use skin cream to cure it. The problem is much deeper. The Bible gives us a prescription for curing the life of sin. It is found in Isaiah 1:18.

"Come now, let us reason together, saith the Lord, though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

Elba Church of God to have barbecue

BBQ by the pound or plate will be sold Saturday, May 25 at 11:00 a.m. at the Elba Church of God in Elba. To place an order call 897-2989 or 897-1593. All proceeds will support church ministries.

Clayhatchee Assembly of God plan homecoming for June 2

Clayhatchee Assembly of God will have homecoming on Sunday, June 2, with the Rev. Hollis Bradley as featured speaker, and the Forehands will be featured singers. Sunday School will be held at 11 a.m. morning worship at 11.

ROUND & ABOUT WITH ERIA

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Scripture: Isaiah 33:12

***Thinking of you, praying for you: Rosa Coleman, Wallace Belcher, Edna Stinson, Earl Stinson, Winnie Ann James, Marie Tillis, Annie M. Daniels, Lizzie Tyson, Ruth Belcher, Lindsey Manning, and Peggy Edwards.

***Elba Zion Missionary Baptist Church, 802 Newton Street, Elba, Ala., will hold youth revival services on May 23-26, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, and 6:00 p.m. on Sunday. Guest evangelist will be Tony Newsome. Thursday: Roderick Rideaux. Friday: Richard Kyles. Saturday: Leroy Cole, Jr. Sunday: the master of ceremony will be Bro. James Griggs.

J&M Ministry, Healing and Deliverance Service will be held at Triumph Holiness Church, Martin Luther King Drive, Elba, Ala., on May 31-June 2, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. nightly.

POEM
I Can't See Myself Leaving God
I can't see myself leaving

Today is a good day; be grateful!
Elia

Church Directory

IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School.....10:00 a.m. Mon. Worship.....11:00 a.m. Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m. Wed. Service.....6:15 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service.....7:00 p.m.	ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST Sunday School.....10:00 a.m. Mon. Worship.....11:00 a.m. Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.	ELBA CHURCH OF GOD Sunday School.....10:00 a.m. Mon. Worship.....11:00 a.m. Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.	ELBA CHURCH OF GOD Sunday School.....10:00 a.m. Mon. Worship.....11:00 a.m. Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.
BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. San Totten, Pastor Sunday School.....10:00 a.m. Mon. Worship.....11:00 a.m. Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service.....6:30 p.m.	BETHLEHEM METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH Elda Phillips-Copes, Pastor Sunday School.....10:00 a.m. Mon. Worship.....11:00 a.m. Tue. Bible Study.....6:00 p.m. Sunday Afternoon.....5:30 p.m. Wed. Service.....5:00 p.m.	BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH Darryl Caldwell, Pastor Sunday School.....10:00 a.m. Mon. Worship.....11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Class.....6:30 p.m.	BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH Elbert Smith, Pastor Sunday School.....10:00 a.m. Mon. Worship.....11:00 a.m. Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service.....6:30 p.m.
BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH Robert Davis, Pastor Sunday School.....10:00 a.m. Mon. Worship.....11:00 a.m. Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m.	CHRISTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH Rev. Larry Gill, Pastor Church Service.....9:00 a.m. Sunday School.....9:00 a.m. 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays.....9:00 a.m. Sunday School.....10:00 a.m. 2nd & 4th Sundays.....10:00 a.m.	CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST E. H. Hill, Minister Sunday School.....10:00 a.m. Mon. Worship.....12:00 noon 1st, 3rd, 5th, & 6th Sundays.....10:00 a.m.	DALASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. William Frank, Pastor Sunday School.....9:45 a.m. Mon. Worship.....11:00 a.m. Even. Worship.....7:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service.....7:00 p.m.
OSAGE BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday School.....10:00 a.m. Mon. Worship.....11:00 a.m. Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service.....6:30 p.m.	ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. John L. Baster, Pastor Sunday School.....9:30 a.m. Mon. Worship.....10:30 a.m. Even. Service.....6:00 p.m. Wed. Service.....7:00 p.m.	ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH Rev. John L. Baster, Pastor Sunday School.....9:30 a.m. Mon. Worship.....10:30 a.m. Even. Service.....6:00 p.m. Wed. Service.....7:00 p.m.	FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH Pastor Sunday School.....9:45 a.m. Mon. Worship.....11:00 a.m. Even. Worship.....6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service.....7:00 p.m.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Area students earn dean's list honors at Auburn

Several area students were named to Auburn University's spring semester 2002 dean's list for outstanding academic achievement.

The minimum requirements to be included on the dean's list at Auburn vary among the university's 12 colleges and schools. Requirements for each college and school are as follows:

- * College of Agriculture: 3.70 GPA and 14 semester hours;
- * College of Architecture, Design and Construction: 3.70 and 15 semester hours;
- * College of Business: 3.80 GPA and 14 semester hours;
- * College of Education: 3.80 GPA;
- * Ginn College of Engineering: 3.70 GPA and 14 semester hours;
- * School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences: 3.70 GPA;
- * College of Human Sciences: 3.80 GPA and 14 semester hours;
- * College of Liberal Arts: 3.60 GPA;
- * School of Nursing: 3.75 GPA;
- * Harrison School of Pharmacy: 3.75 GPA and 15 semester hours;
- * College of Sciences and Mathematics: 3.75 average and 14 semester hours;
- * College of Veterinary Medicine: Grades in the upper five percent of the enrollment of the student's class.

The list of area dean's list students include:

COFFEE COUNTY: Jack, Sciences and Mathematics—Summer T. Harding; Kinross Engineering—Jared A. Whigham; Liberal Arts—Abby Elizabeth Whigham.

Pvt. Johnston completes basic training in S.C.

Marine Corps Pvt. Anthony S. Johnston, son of Janice A. Johnston of 1407 W. Fitzsimmons St., New Brockton, Ala., recently completed basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot-Parris Islands, S.C.

Johnston successfully completed 12 weeks of training designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally.

Johnston is as 2001 graduate of New Brockton High School.

LBW announces Spring Semester honor students

Two students from Elba were included in the 32 who were named to the President's List for Spring Semester at LBW College in Andalusia, Jerry Joshua Dubose and Brandy Gail Phillips.

To qualify for the President's List a student must be enrolled on a full-time basis and post a 4.0 (A) grade point average; and for the Dean's List a 3.50-3.99 (B+).

This award is a prestigious honor, and the Academy recognizes fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students.

Leslie Amanda, who attends New Brockton High School, was nominated for the honor by Brad Smith, a coach at the school. She will be listed in the Academy's official yearbook.

Leslie Amanda is the daughter of Johnny and Deborah Hornsby of New Brockton, and the granddaughter of Stancel and Edna Hornsby of New Brockton, and Warren and Jeanette Simmons of Elba.



Leslie Amanda Hornsby named as National Award Winner

The United States Achievement Academy has announced that Leslie Amanda Hornsby from New Brockton has been named a U.S. National Award Winner in the field of Science.

This award is a prestigious honor, and the Academy recognizes fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students.



YOLANDA RICHARDSON (LEFT) OF FT. RUCKER AND MATHIE WRIGHT OF ELBA look for over the program while waiting to march in the 2002 graduation procession at Wallace Community College. Richardson received a technical certificate in medical nursing and Wright received a technical certificate in cosmetology. A record number of students participated in the ceremony held on the Wallace Campus in Dothan.

Antwon Tillis is National Award winner

The United States Achievement Academy has recently announced that Antwon Tillis from Elba, Ala., has been named a United States National Award Winner in Mathematics. This award is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain. In fact, the Academy recognizes fewer than 10 percent of all American high school students.

Antwon attends Elba High School. He was nominated for this national award by Mrs. Karen Davis, a teacher at the school. Antwon will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

He is the son of Tammy Tillis and Abraham Robinson from Elba. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Tillis, Sr. of Elba, and Mrs. Martha Robinson of Elba.

Capt. Melony A. Bryant deployed to Italy

Air Force Capt. Melony A. Bryant has deployed to support the mission of Operation Joint Forge serving the 16th Air Expeditionary Wing (AEW), headquartered at Aviano Air Base, Italy. The 16th AEW is responsible for all U.S. Air Force units and individuals deployed throughout the Balkans and other European locations executing operations to secure peace and freedom in the Balkans.

Operation Joint Forge is conducted by NATO's Stabilization Force in effort to deter hostilities and contribute to a secure environment by continued military presence, target and coordinate NATO support for key civil organizations, and to progress toward a lasting consolidation of peace without further need for NATO-led forces in Bosnia-Herzegovina.

Bryant is an agricultural evacuation liaison, high clinical coordinator assigned to the 401st Expeditionary Air Base Group in Tuzla, Bosnia-Herzegovina. The captain has served in the military for five years.

She is the daughter of Earl J. and Marilyn S. Byrd of 50 Private Road 1505, Elba, Ala. Her husband, Ron, is the son of Harold K. and Nancy A. Marler of E. Davis St., Elba.

The captain is a 1990 graduate of Elba High School, and a 1995 graduate of Troy State University, Ala.

Pvt. Goodwin graduates from basic infantry training at Ft. Benning

Army Pvt. Michael U. Goodwin has graduated from basic infantry training at Fort Benning, Columbus, Ga. The soldier received training in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid, and Army history and traditions. During infantry training, he

developed basic combat skills and battlefield operations and tactics, and experienced using various weapons and weapons defenses available to the infantry crewman.

Goodwin is the son of Scarlett Napper of 404 E. McKinnon, New Brockton, Ala. The soldier graduated from Elba High School, Ala., in 1999.



Dr. Pratul G. Patel presents Lunch with the Doctor recently here

Dr. Pratul G. Patel of Southeast Alabama Medical Center and obstetrician/gynecologist with Women's Medical Center in Dothan, recently presented Lunch with the Doctor program on Osteoporosis at the College in Andalusia, Jerry Joshua Dubose and Brandy Gail Phillips.

Dr. Patel talked about how to prevent or treat osteoporosis. For more information on programs, contact the Medical Call Center at (334)712-3336 or 1-800-735-4998 and press 3.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Voting hours set for June 4th Primary

The hours for voting in Coffee County on Tuesday, June 4, will be from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. On the night of the election, results from each polling place will be received at the Farm Center in New Brockton. The public is invited to attend and to review the results as they come in.

Notice

A "Keep Elba Dry" Campaign Meeting and "Keep Elba Dry" YOUTH COMMITTEE Organizational Meeting, will be held at First Baptist Church, Thursday, May 23, 5:30 p.m. All citizens interested in keeping legalized alcohol sales out of Elba are encouraged to attend. Call Jack E. Brunson at 897-2273 x212, or 897-6056 for more information.



Elba student honored at Accountancy Day...Troy State University's Sorrell College of Business honored a student from Elba with a major award at the college's annual Accountancy Day. Misty Kelley Tindol was named the recipient of the Accountancy Day Sponsors Scholarship. Above, she accepts congratulations from Dr. Thomas Ratcliffe, Dean of the Sorrell College of Business and Eminent Scholar in Accounting, at TSU Accountancy Day.

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Revenue Commissioner

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Accept the voluntary transfer of Bobbie Williams, non-certificated instructional aide, from a K-6 non-certificated instructional aide to a K-12 non-certificated instructional aide.

Accept the voluntary transfer of Mary Patterson, non-certificated instructional aide, from a K-12 non-certificated instructional aide to a K-12 non-certificated instructional aide.

Accept the voluntary transfer of Vickie Chambliss, non-certificated instructional aide, from a K-6 non-certificated instructional aide to a K-12 non-certificated instructional aide.

Non-renew Arnold Ross, bus driver.

Non-renew Emily Kelley, bus driver.

Accept the resignation of Shannon Nelson, non-certificated instructional aide.

New Brockton High - Support Non-renew Dana Howell, WIA aide.

Non-renew James Warren's Extra Responsibilities, bus contract.

Accept Lula Haynes' resignation as 5 WIA liaison/clerical aide.

Zion Chapel - Certificated Grant administrative leave to Charles Edwards, teacher, at Zion Chapel School, to attend Army Reserve training April 19-May 3. Edwards' request was not received prior to the April meeting.

Accept the resignation of Randy Grant, as head football coach at Zion Chapel High School.

Zion Chapel - Support Non-renew Fairlan Mobley, bus driver.

Non-renew Alma Reeves, WIA aide.

Non-renew Shasta Arnett, certificated instructional aide.

Accept voluntary transfer of Pam Flowers, non-certificated instructional aide, from a K-5 non-certificated instructional aide to a K-12 non-certificated instructional aide.

Accept voluntary transfer of Shirley Goodson, non-certificated instructional aide, from a K-5 non-certificated instructional aide to a K-12 non-certificated instructional aide.

Accept voluntary transfer of Diane Smith, non-certificated instructional aide, from a K-5 non-certificated instructional aide to a K-12 non-certificated instructional aide.

Transfer Brenda Johnson from her position as alternative education aide at Zion Chapel to that of alternative education aide, county wide based at Zion Chapel.

Project Independence Support

Transfer Scott Quisenberry, physical therapy aide at PI to a K-12 physical therapy aide, county wide based at Zion Chapel.

Transfer Joan Hornsby, non-certificated instructional aide at PI to a K-6 non-certificated instructional aide at New Brockton Elementary School.

In one other matter, the board adopted a resolution for Making Academics Count in which the board agreed that the school system will work to help better educate people concerning the different types of diplomas offered to high school students, as well as, encourage students to make better grades in high school.

Ingram told board members that the idea behind Making Academics Count is that students will work harder to make better grades in high school if they realize that businesses might ask to see a transcript when they interview for employment. By adopting the resolution, the school system agreed to supply students with a copy of their transcript if a possible employer asks to see one.



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Coffee County Schools Menu May 27 - 30, 2002

BREAKFAST

Monday - Biscuit, Sausage Patty, Cereal, Milk, Juice
Tuesday - Scrambled Eggs, Toast, Jelly, Milk, Juice
Wednesday - Pancake Pops, Syrup, Cereal, Juice, Milk
Thursday - Pop Tarts, Cereal, Juice, Milk

LUNCH

Monday - Turkey Deli Sandwich, Chicken Fajita, Butter Cakes, June Peas, Rice, Fruit, Dill Pickle, Milk
Tuesday - Turkey Roast, Pork Roast, Yams, Turnips, Rolls, Fruit, Cookie, Milk
Wednesday - Hot Dog, Hamburger, Milk Tots, Whole Kernel Corn, Fruit, Milk
Thursday - Pot Luck
Have a Safe and Happy Summer!

Burch completes trooper academy

Jason Burch graduated Sept. 21, 2001 from the Alabama State Trooper Academy. He is currently working in Butler County (Greenville area).

Jason is a 1993 graduate of Elba High School and graduated in 1994 from Southwestern Police Academy. In 1995, he graduated from the Montgomery Police Academy where he worked for six years. He also has worked with the Enterprise, Samson and Kinston police departments during his early career.

Jason is married and has a 2-year-old daughter. He is the son of L.M. and Mavis Burch of Elba.



Jason Burch

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American and Latino citizens realize the importance of wearing seat belts and their ability to save lives.

From May 20 through June 2, Alabama law enforcement agencies will conduct over 1,000 public safety checkpoints and line patrols to step up enforcement as part of Click It or Ticket—an aggressive, high-visibility effort to save lives. There will be an emphasis placed on areas that have low seat belt usage rates. People who are not buckled up, or whose young children are not in child safety seats, will be ticketed.

Safety experts predict that by raising the current 79.4 percent usage rate to 85 percent, 44 lives will be saved, 436 injuries will be prevented and Alabama will save \$48,543,320.

During the enforcement wave in Alabama, officers from municipal agencies, sheriff departments and state highway patrol will stop and ticket drivers who violate seat belt laws. In addition to other methods, officers are stepping up enforcement through public safety checkpoints. This crackdown

will be coupled with an aggressive television and radio advertising campaign to alert the public that if they or their children aren't buckled up, they will get a ticket.

"This crackdown is just as important as it was the first time we participated because we are continuing to put lives at risk on our highways," said James H. Fry, liaison, Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Division of the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs. "We cannot and will not tolerate drivers who recklessly put lives at risk."

This campaign will be in full force during the Memorial Day holiday travel period when the department of public safety estimates that 17 people may die as the result of traffic crashes in Alabama during the 78-hour holiday travel period beginning at 6 p.m. Friday, May 24, and ending at midnight Monday, May 27.

Last year, nine traffic deaths occurred during the period, six on rural roads and three in urban areas. At least one of the deaths

was alcohol related, and five of the crash victims were not using safety restraints.

Click It or Ticket is a partnership between Governor Don Siegelman, the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs, the Alabama Department of Public Safety and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

Remember Those You Loved With A Memorial Gift



1.800.ACS.2345

Funraiser for Hanna Vaughn

Hanna is the granddaughter of James and Mathelyn Farris of Bash Community.

Hanna needs your help and support. Through her academic achievements, she has been accepted as a Finalist in the American Coed Scholarship Pageant.

To help raise money we will be selling grilled Boston Butts for \$15.00 each on June 1, 2002. They will be available for pick-up between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. in Elba, at Peoples Bank parking lot, home of James and Mathelyn Farris or Enterprise at SouthTrust Bank parking lot.

For further information and to place orders please call 897-6524. Order deadline will be May 29. Thank You for all your support.

★ Vote ★ Deborah Sims



Of The People...For The People

Thank you Coffee County for the great reception you have given me over the last few weeks. I ask for your vote and support on **June 4th** in the Republican Primary Election.



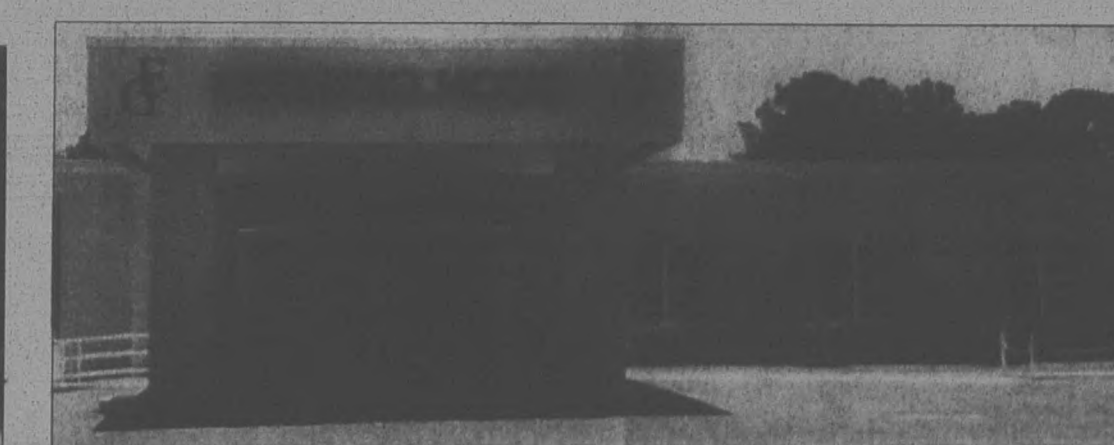
Revenue Commissioner

Pd. Pol. Adv. by Deborah Sims for Revenue Commissioner, P.O. Box 37, New Brockton, AL 36351

Elba Nursing Home Celebrates National Nursing Home Week



Marie Lepore, asst. adm., helped kick-off the week's celebration by reading the National Nursing Home Week proclamation.



Leoner Sasser shows off her homemade hat at Crazy Hat Day!



We extended our appreciation for our many volunteers at an afternoon tea.



The annual picnic was held at the Coffee County Lake.



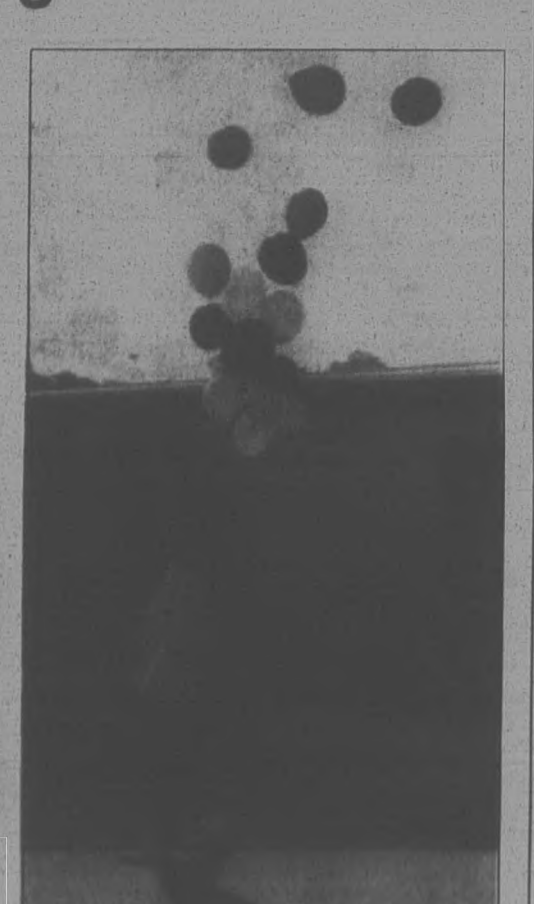
The top athletes go for the gold in our Volleyball Tournament.



Here residents and employees enjoy and 'ole-fashioned dance party with music provided by Little Jimmi Reed.

The employees also enjoyed Crazy Hat Day.

The children of First Baptist Daycare spiced the day up by dancing around the Maypole.



Balloons were launched in an effort to get the week started off right.



The residents enjoyed an afternoon of Bingo Blast.

You are cordially invited to attend
a
MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY
including the dedication of the new
Veterans Memorabilia Exhibit
and
UH-1 Helicopter Display
with Guest Speaker Congressman Terry Everett
Monday, May 27, 2002
2:00 p.m.
Veterans Memorial Park
Highway 84 East
Elba, Alabama

For more information, call 334-897-2275 ext. 204

Anyone interested in participating and volunteering at the Elba Nursing Home should contact Brett Cunningham at 897-2257

Melonee Blair promoted at The Peoples Bank of Coffee County

Devin Matthews, President and CEO of The Peoples Bank of Coffee County, announces that Melonee Blair has been promoted to Cashier/Operations Officer at the bank. Her new duties include the overall operations of the bank. She was formerly Human Resources Manager for The Peoples Bank of Coffee County.

A lifelong resident of Elba, Blair graduated with honors from Elba High School and attended Enterprise State Junior College. She is a member of the Elba High School Vocational Advisory Council, and a former member of the Board of Directors for the Elba Chamber of Commerce.

Blair is a member of Bayan Baptist Church, where she serves as Sunday School Director and as Care Team Secretary. She is married to Dean Blair and they are the parents of one son.



Melonee Blair

"We are excited to have someone with Melonee's enthusiasm and attention to details serving The Peoples Bank of Coffee County as Cashier/Operations Officer," said Matthews. "I know she will be successful in this new role."

Zion Chapel Elementary School 3rd Grading Period Honor Roll

ALLA'S

FIRST GRADE: Alex Anderson, Heather Branson, Brandon Cardwell, Gage Cowart, Alexis Hall, Mallorie Holloway, Cody Kelley, Blake Lewis, Ethan Loft, Dylan Mobley, Tonya Owens, Sierra Parker, Myah Peterson, Tyler Sawyer, Shelby Jo Vinson, Damian Walker, Stephanie Williams.

SECOND GRADE: Lawson Anding, Ryan Berry, Megan Cox, Ashleigh DeSandro, Hilcy Green, Paul Gibson, Kristin Lipiot, Courtney Napper, Cheyenne Nelson, Sage Peterson, Market Senn, Caleb Walden, Zack Ward.

THIRD GRADE: Sarah Allen, Brandon Barnhill, Kelli Behrens, Hillarie Davis, Tim Disnukes, Paige Gibson, Kayla Hurd, Amelia Pettit, Stalandra Rudolph.

FOURTH GRADE: Tanner Grant, Nicole Holloway, Landon Peters, Josh Richards.

FIFTH GRADE: Kristin Collins, Amber Grissitt, Kelly Hatcher, Ethan Mount, Amber Powell, Casey Rushing, Ciara Smith, Kyle Tankersley.

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FIRST GRADE: Brittany Acreman, Summer Barker, Heather Blight, Jessie Branson, Shelby Cochran, Bo Collins, Mickey Cox, Leah Donaldson, Blake Gaskin, B.J. Grant, Kayla Hall, Jordan Jones, Candace Kelley, Steven Little, Shale Nalley, Timothy Reeves, Tesla



Bodiford outdoor classroom dedicated

The dedication ceremony for the Alma Bodiford Outdoor Classroom at Brantley School was held Monday, May 6. The outdoor classroom which is designed to provide hands-on gardening experience for students, is sponsored by the Brantley Garden Club. Mrs. Bodiford, a garden club member, developed the idea, assisted in the design, and worked strenuously during the implementation of the project. She oversees student participation in planting and harvesting vegetables as well as other learning activities. The outdoor classroom is designed to attract butterflies, birds, and beneficial insects. This project was made possible by generous donations from area service organizations, banks, businesses, and political representatives.

The Brantley Garden Club received a PETALS (Protecting the Environment Through Action, Learning, and Service) Grant sponsored by Shell Oil Company and awarded by the Garden Club of Alabama during the dedication ceremony. The Alma Bodiford Outdoor Classroom has been named Best

Environmental Education Project by the Alabama Environmental Education Association. The nomination for this honor was submitted by the Wiregrass RC&D.

Mrs. Debbie Roberts, president of the Brantley Garden Club, directed the ceremony. Speakers for the event included Mrs. Katie Wallace, principal of Brantley School; Mr. Gary Maddox, representative of Woodmen of the World; Mr. Bernie Sullivan, mayor of Brantley; Mr. Craig Poncey, superintendent of Crenshaw County Schools; Mr. Jim Perdue, Crenshaw County Probate Judge; Mrs. Margaret Reynolds, representing Garden Clubs of America; Mr. Daryl Seary, a Southeast Alabama wildflower expert. Members of Mrs. Debbie Hall's and Mrs. Veronica Wiley's fourth grade class also shared some of their experiences in the garden.

Brantley Garden Club members, students, and other volunteers will continue to maintain and improve the garden as the students can enjoy rewarding learning experiences in science, nature, and environmental responsibility.

POLL OFFICIALS FOR JUNE, 2002 PRIMARY ELECTIONS

STATE OF ALABAMA COFFEE COUNTY

We, the undersigned Appointing Board of Coffee County, do hereby appoint the following named persons to conduct the Primary and Primary Run-Off and Constitutional Amendment Election to be held on June 4, 2002 and June 25, 2002.

DISTRICT ONE

Beat Two - Danley's Cross Roads

Inspector Mack Donaldson
Chief Clerk Winfred Baker
1st Clerk Mary Donaldson
2nd Clerk Matthew Ellis Holloway

Beat Three - Lee Community

Inspector Aline Lee
Chief Clerk Bernice Culver
1st Clerk Ashley Nelson
2nd Clerk Mary Alice Lee

Beat Four - Newbia

Inspector Jean Leverett
Chief Clerk Rander Johnson
1st Clerk Cleo Ampong
2nd Clerk Brenda Johnson

Beat Five - Bluff Springs

Inspector Lillie Jo Helms
Chief Clerk Teresa Ann Martin
1st Clerk Mabel M. Dyess
2nd Clerk Levy C. Kelley

Beat Six - National Guard Armory, Elba

Inspector Paula McCollough
Chief Clerk Mrs. Ventellie Corbitt
1st Clerk Doris Ausbon
2nd Clerk Vera Atmore
Registration List Clerk Corine Wilkerson
Registration List Clerk Jeffrey McCollough
Registration List Clerk Stanley Walker

Beat Fifteen - Zion Chapel

Inspector C. Ray Hurd
Chief Clerk Martha Sue Lowery
1st Clerk Maggie Brown
2nd Clerk Lela Wilson

Beat Nineteen - Pine Level

Inspector Hughie W. Bryan Jr.
Chief Clerk Louise Bowers
1st Clerk Heath Kilcrease
2nd Clerk Evelyn Galtmore

Beat Twenty - Basin

Inspector Lanette Boutwell
Chief Clerk Betty S. Boutwell
1st Clerk Bobby Boutwell
2nd Clerk Peggy Francis Ham

Beat Twenty One - Wise's Mill

Inspector Richard T. Brown
Chief Clerk Lila Bell White
1st Clerk Nina Allen
2nd Clerk Annie Pearl Carpenter

Beat Twenty Two - Wise Mill School Voting House

Inspector Tim Brown
Chief Clerk Delia Dean
1st Clerk Shirley Dean
2nd Clerk Carolyn L. Westbrook

DISTRICT TWO

Beat Nine - New Brockton Community Room

Inspector Thomas Eads
Chief Clerk Shirley Eads
1st Clerk Oyce Meadows
2nd Clerk Wanza Peacock

Beat Ten/1 - Victoria

Inspector Shirley White
Chief Clerk Faye Peters
1st Clerk Betty Boutwell
2nd Clerk Merle Bragg

Beat Ten/2 - Chestnut Grove

Inspector Murrell Johnson
Chief Clerk Alice Ohlenburger
1st Clerk Cliff Ohlenburger
2nd Clerk Marshall Spivey

Beat Eleven - Fresco

Inspector Kenneth M. Sanders
Chief Clerk Levoey Lipiot
1st Clerk Annie Brooks
2nd Clerk Mildred Carter

Beat Twelve - Eanon

Inspector Mary Cotter
Chief Clerk William A. Edgar
1st Clerk Mary Edgar
2nd Clerk Doris Simmons

Beat Seventeen - Heritage Methodist Church

Inspector Sharon Brozski
Chief Clerk Elizabeth Tew
1st Clerk Rose Ann Licina
2nd Clerk Bob Evans

DISTRICT THREE

Beat One - Perry's Store

Inspector Mary A. Bess
Chief Clerk Henry C. Clark
1st Clerk Mathayn Farris
2nd Clerk Lucy Clark

Beat Six - Army Reserve Center - Elba (Rec Center)

Inspector Nadine Fuller
Chief Clerk Lynda Berry
1st Clerk Edward Berry
2nd Clerk Cabot Mills
Registration List Clerk Mary Young
Registration List Clerk Bobby Hudson
Registration List Clerk John L. Wade

Beat Seven - Pleasant Ridge

Inspector Leon Reynolds
Chief Clerk Sue Walls
1st Clerk Gayle Kelley
2nd Clerk Betty Reynolds

Beat Fourteen/1-Ino

Inspector Betty Sessions
Chief Clerk Wilmer Carnley
1st Clerk Essie Dell McInnis
2nd Clerk Nyoka Bowdoin

Beat Fourteen/2 - Holley's Store

Inspector Shirley Chambless
Chief Clerk Lora Chambless
1st Clerk Grace Weeks
2nd Clerk D. Lois Culver

Beat Sixteen - Damascus

Inspector Judith Hurley
Chief Clerk Cheryl Farris
1st Clerk Ouna Crosby
2nd Clerk Ed Carroll

Beat Eighteen - Kinston

Inspector Howard E. Bess
Chief Clerk Sara Nell Bowden
1st Clerk Mary Cook
2nd Clerk Betty Jo Seay

DISTRICT FOUR

Beat Seven - Goodman

Inspector Jimmy Watson
Chief Clerk Hilda Allen
1st Clerk Roy Grimes
2nd Clerk Judy Hataway

Beat Eight/1 - Mt. Pleasant

Inspector Albert Beane
Chief Clerk Rhonda McCrummen
1st Clerk LaMargaret Barley
2nd Clerk Pat Britt

Beat Eight/2 - Cool Springs

Inspector Phylliss K. Adkison
Chief Clerk Ruth Pipkins
1st Clerk Calvin Lee
2nd Clerk Loftin Martin

Beat Seventeen - Civic Center

Inspector Walter W. Nichols
Chief Clerk Dixie Johnson
1st Clerk Joan Lewis
2nd Clerk Ray Lewis
Registration List Clerk Heath Murphy
Registration List Clerk William H. Griffin

Beat Twenty-Three - Fairview

Inspector Bob Bowdoin
Chief Clerk Claire A. Sessions
1st Clerk Daisy Day
2nd Clerk Thelma Carpenter

DISTRICT FIVE

Beat Six - Mulberry Heights School

Inspector Linda Hill
Chief Clerk Timothy Williams
1st Clerk Mary Ann Thigpen
2nd Clerk Annie Dean Graighen

Beat Nine - National Guard Armory, New Brockton

Inspector R. P. Flowers
Chief Clerk Edna Andrews
1st Clerk Edna Blair
2nd Clerk Margaret Peggy Bowdoin

Beat Seventeen - Johns Chapel AME Church

Inspector Calvin Garth
Chief Clerk William Baker
1st Clerk Theodis Parker
2nd Clerk Loreta Fleming

Machine Two

Inspector Dorothy Richardson
Chief Clerk Bonnie Ruth Holmes
1st Clerk Marie Evans
2nd Clerk James Mullins

Beat Seventeen - YMCA Machine One

Inspector Albert Apel
Chief Clerk Marie Myers
1st Clerk Kitty Ruth Coles
2nd Clerk Norman Fildes

Machine Two

Inspector Jimmy Jones
Chief Clerk Margaret Cawthon
1st Clerk Mary Wallace
2nd Clerk Kathy Patterson
Registration List Clerk Elaine Roberts
Registration List Clerk Thelia Kelly
Registration List Clerk Virginia Sistrunk
Registration List Clerk Cheryl Shoemaker
Registration List Clerk Victor Herbert Martin
Registration List Clerk Mary Joyce Apel

DISTRICT SEVEN

Inspector Bert Block
Chief Clerk Ruby Crumpler
1st Clerk Ed Miller
2nd Clerk Alice Hersant

Machine Two

Inspector Zelda Crumpler
Chief Clerk Hazel Buckner
1st Clerk Bud Hickman
2nd Clerk Charlie Block
Registration List Clerk Joan Ayer
Registration List Clerk Nancy Presson
Registration List Clerk Nancy Shuffler
Registration List Clerk Ruth Morrow
Registration List Clerk Mary Helen Lannan
Registration List Clerk Jamie Hudson
Registration List Clerk Sue Cobb
Registration List Clerk Mary Alice Logan
Registration List Clerk Chafmaline Carter
Registration List Clerk William Carter

ABSENTEE

Inspector Harold Myers
Chief Clerk Coy Dell Ellis
1st Clerk Gerald Tucker
2nd Clerk Arthur C. "Buddy" Brunson

APPOINTING BOARD

Done this the 15th day of May, 2002.
/s/James M. Counts Circuit Clerk
/s/Rex Killingsworth Acting for Sheriff
/s/William O. Gammill Judge of Probate

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ADULT SCIENCE FICTION

Benford, Gregory - Immersion and Other Short Novels
Resnick, Michael - Hunting the Shark and Other Short Novels
Sargent, Pamela - Behind the Eyes of Dreamers and Other Short Novels
Silverberg, Robert - In Another Country and Other Short Novels

ADULT WESTERN FICTION

Bodine, Jack - Beginner's Luck
Boggs, Johnny D. - The Lonesome Chisholm Trail
Grey, Zane - Range River
Stories of the West
Grove, Fred - Buffalo Spring
LeMay, Alan - The Belts of San Juan
McCarthy, Gary - Buffalo Hunters

OTHER ADULT FICTION

Auel, Jean M. - The Shelters of Stone: Earth's Children
Brown-Sandra - Honor Bound
Clark, Mary Higgins - Daddy's Little Girl
L'Amour, Louis - With These

Hands

Lowell, Elizabeth - Running Scared
Michaels, Fern - Kentucky Heat
Nance, John J. - Turbulence
Palmer, Michael - Fatal Pretext
Mittum McGraw - It May Not Leave a Scar
ADULT NONFICTION:
Bragg, Rick - Ava's Man
Henderson, Aileen Kilgore

Stateside Soldier: Life in the Women's Army Corps, 1944-1945

Moore, Dot - Oracle of the Ages: Reflections on the Curious Life of Fortune Teller Mayhallow Lancaster
BOOKS ON TAPE
Comnelly, Michael - City of Bones
Deaver, Jeffrey - The Stone Monkey

Johnsen, Iris - Body of Lies

Rollins, James - Amazonia
Shreve, Anita - Sea Glass
LARGE PRINT ADULT FICTION:
Bedford, Deborah - A Rose by the Door
Brown, Dandra - Two Alone
Lowe, Elizabeth - Reckless Love

STATE OF ALABAMA

COUNTY OF COFFEE

I, William O. Gammill, Judge of Probate for said County, in said State, hereby certify the following is a list of qualified voters of said county who have registered since the last list of qualified voters was published, or whose name was through error or omission off said list. It is possible that this does not constitute all who are qualified to vote in said county, however upon notice duly given within the time provided by law, is submitted and published as a supplemental list of qualified voters who are entitled to vote in said county.

Given under my hand and seal this the 15th day of May, 2002.

/s/ William O. Gammill

Judge of Probate

Coffee County, Alabama

County District: 01

Beat: 02/00

DANLEY'S CROSS ROADS

SIMS HAROLD GENE

County District: 01

Beat: 03/00

LEE COMMUNITY

ANDERSON CHARLOTTE HUDSO
ANDERSON KENNETH L.
COVIN CAROLYN S.
FREE CHRISTINE SUZETTE
HUDGE LATISHA ANN
HUDSON GREGORY P
HUTCHISON JAMA W
LEE MARY ALICE
LEE MELINDA N
ODOM JAMES PRESTON
ODOM KELLIE RENEE
STINSON DUSTIN L

County District: 01

Beat: 04/00

NEWBIA

BEDSOLE MALLORIE LEIGH
HOLLADAY KENNA JOANNE
SMITH JAMES LESTER

County District: 01

Beat: 05/00

BLUFF SPRINGS

CAULLEY LAYTON BOBBIE
GRANT ANITA DARLENE
GRANT CARLSON WESLEY
GRANT DEBRA SANDERS
GRANT LENE
GRANT MELISSA STEPHENS
GRANT PAUL WAYNE
GRANT RANDY
JINRIGHT CLOVER FLOWERS
JINRIGHT TIMOTHY EARL
LITTLE SHIRLEY ELAINE

County District: 01

Beat: 06/01

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BLUE JENNIFER LARRE
BOOGAN JEAN C
BOOTHE AUSTIN
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COOK DEBRA ELAINE
COPELAND KRISTY LYNN
CORDER SARAH BROWNLEE
CULVER FREDDIE LEON
FILLINGIM HOLLY STINSON
FLOWERS GLENDA ROYCE
HAROLD P. FLOWERS
HENDERSON BETH F
HETTINGER MICHAEL P
LONG ANITA GRACE
LONG DONALD MARCUS
MCCORMICK MELISSA ANN
MOORE SUE ANN
MORGAN JONATHAN MICHAEL
NELSON BRENDA KAY
OLIVER MISTY ELIZABETH
PLANT JOHN D
QUALLS PAMELA M
ROZYCKI WICKY MADDOX
SASSER JANIS LAMAR

County District: 01

Beat: 19/00

PINE LEVEL

ADKINSON JULIE C
BRYAN EMILY ELIZABETH
DODD ELAINE JANET
DODD JIMMY RAY
HAYS JOHN KEVIN
HAYS RUTH LOUISE
HUDSON SUE E
HUGGINS DEBBIE J
THOMAS DAVID L
VALGHAN KATIE YORK
WYROSICK JESSICA YORK

County District: 01

Beat: 20/00

BASIN

CAVER TERESA ANN
DONALDSON WANDA (MRS. JA
ELLIS BRYAN LEE
FILLINGIM MICHAEL ANTHON
KENNEDY JASON CHRISTOPHE
KENNEDY JESSICA LEE
NELSON ASHLEY BROOKE
WYROSICK JAMES ANTHONY

County District: 01

Beat: 22/00

WISE MILL SCHOOL VOTING HOUSE

BLACK WENDELL M
CHASBY TERESA HELEN
FRANCIS DALL HENDRIX J

County District: 02

Beat: 17/02

HERITAGE CHURCH RUCKER BLVD

CONDREY JAMES M
HOWELL JAMES ROGER
HOWELL JAMES WESSLY
JUNGEL KATHLEEN M
LOPEZ LAURA LEIGH
STUMPE CHRISTOPHER CHARLE

County District: 03

Beat: 01/00

PERRY'S STORE

TRAMMELL FAWN ANNETTE

County District: 03

Beat: 06/03

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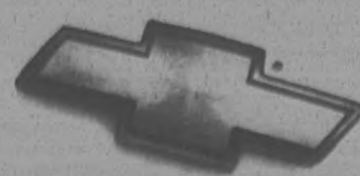
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Crenshaw County escapee captured in Coffee County

A Crenshaw County Jail escapee found his freedom to be short-lived over the weekend after officers in Coffee County spotted him fleeing a driver's license checkpoint.

Coffee County Sheriff Ben Moates said James Syvotchie Boggs, age 34, was captured after a five-hour search that involved numerous law enforcement agencies and their officers.

Moates said Boggs first brought attention to himself in Coffee County when officers observed a vehicle quickly spin around and speed away from a driver's license checkpoint being conducted by the Kinston Police Department and Coffee County Sheriff's Department at the intersection of county roads 473 and 474.

He said Kinston Police Chief Russ Young began chasing after the vehicle, however, when he arrived at the intersection of Hwy. 189 and County Road 473, he noticed that the vehicle had failed to stop at the intersection and crashed in a field directly across from County Road 473. Moates said the wrecked vehicle was found resting on its side, but the driver was nowhere to be found.

At that point, he said additional officers were called to the scene to assist in locating the driver of the vehicle.

Investigator Mark Anderson was aware of the escape from the Crenshaw County Jail when he arrived and noticed the vehicle had a Crenshaw County tag. Moates said, "In speaking with Crenshaw County, it was found out that the vehicle had been taken from a residence located in close proximity of the jail."

He said a perimeter was then established as more personnel arrived to help secure the area from Hwy. 189 across to Hwy.

52. A tracking dog from the Opp Police Department was also utilized, but the Sheriff said it had to be pulled from the search after it came in contact with a herd of cows.

Next, Moates said the canine tracking team from Easterling Prison was contacted, and while officers waited for the team to arrive, they continued to hold the perimeter and notify the surrounding residents of the situation.

"When the dogs from Easterling arrived, they were taken to the last known track of the fleeing Boggs," Moates said.

The dogs began tracking and led deputies to the bridge located on County Road 470 where Boggs was hiding in the water under the bridge.

He said once the suspect heard the approaching law enforcement, he again fled on foot and was seen running through the creek by officers.

Moates said Boggs was later found by Anderson crouched down in the cavity of a rotted tree. At that point, he was taken into custody without incident.

According to officials, Boggs was in jail in Crenshaw County on several felony charges and also has felony charges in other jurisdictions.

"I would like to recognize all the agencies involved for their help and support in the capture of Boggs," said Moates.

The agencies involved with the Coffee County Sheriff's Dept. included the Kinston Police Dept., Opp Police Dept., Samson Police Dept., Lockhart Police Dept., Crenshaw County Sheriff's office, Geneva County Sheriff's office, Covington County Sheriff's office, 12th Judicial Task Force, 2nd Judicial Task Force and the Easterling Prison Tracking Team.

UH-1H "Huey" helicopter dedicated during ceremony

by Linda Hodge, Editor

United States Congressman Terry Everett served as the guest speaker Monday afternoon, May 27, during a special Memorial Day Ceremony on the grounds of Veterans Memorial Park in Elba, and he stressed the idea that Americans must stand together to protect the country from terrorists.

"These are awkward times with the first observance of Memorial Day since Sept. 11th," he said. "9/11 showed us that we can't take a single moment for granted."

The congressman said many Americans perished that day without knowing what happened while others had the opportunity to take a stand and prevent the terrorists from accomplishing their goal of crashing a plane into the White House. He said those brave Americans served as heroes that fatal day.

"I am proud of our leadership and especially proud of our soldiers," Everett said. "This is a nation of people dedicated to preserving liberty and justice for all."

As part of the ceremony Monday afternoon, a UH-1H "Huey" helicopter which is dis-

played in Veterans Memorial Park was officially dedicated.

LTC (Ret.) Jim Nichols worked tirelessly in locating and acquiring the aircraft to be displayed in Elba, and he said the aircraft certainly made its place in history.

The UH-1H served four tours of duty in Southeast Asia, including such diverse assignments as: 334th Armed Helicopter Company, Vietnam; 44th Engineer Group, Thailand; 355th Aviation Company, Ft. Sill, Okla.; 68th Assault

unit, Vietnam; and 1st Assault Helicopter Battalion, Vietnam.

Some residents have pulled up stakes because they are not in

Victims escape collision without serious injury



A man and woman both managed to escape this two-vehicle accident last Thursday, May 23, without serious injury as their vehicles collided at the intersection of Alabama Highway 125 and Alabama Highway 167 shortly after 11 a.m. The Ziegler meat truck, driven by Derrick Deswayne Smiley of Selma, was traveling North on Hwy. 125, and the Dodge Ram pickup, driven by Judy K. Swanson of Tellico Plains, Tenn., was traveling South on Hwy. 167. According to reports, Smiley proceeded to cross the intersection after stopping at the stop sign. Officers said Smiley indicated that he did not see the Dodge pickup traveling on Hwy. 167, and the two vehicles collided. Five Star First Responder and Coffee County EMS were dispatched to the scene; however, both Smiley and Swanson appeared to escape the accident without any serious injury. According to officials, the victims were wearing their seat belts at the time of the accident, and the air bags in the Dodge pickup deployed properly at the point of impact. Units from the Coffee County Sheriff's Department also responded to the scene of the accident which was investigated by an officer with the Alabama State Troopers.

Coffee County Commission approves road paving priority list

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Commission listened to road paving concerns of one county resident Tuesday morning, May 28, during its regular bimonthly meeting.

Oneater Smedley, a county

resident of County Road 517, addressed the commission and expressed her desire for wanting the road paved. She said this has been an issue since 1997, and she first spoke to the commission herself in 1999.

"I want the road paved," she said. "I'm not here to bad mouth the commissioners. They are doing the best job possible."

Smedley said she feels the biggest problem is that the road is served by both Commissioner Robert Stephens and Commissioner Bernest Brooks, and many times each will come and talk with the residents but not follow-up. She did acknowledge that one problem is the residents not signing their deeds so the county can proceed with its work.

Smedley also expressed her concern over the number of times the road has been staked for paving, and she changed because it would not work for one reason or another.

"Some residents have pulled up stakes because they are not in

agreement," she said. "I would hate to see this issue go on for a couple more years and the road not get paved."

Commissioner Stephens asked Smedley how she would like for the road to go so she would sign her deed, and she responded by saying it did not matter to her as long as the county does not propose going through her bedroom door as one set of stakes indicated.

Commissioner Brooks said he has only one resident on his portion of the road that has not signed the agreement papers.

Stephens suggested that county engineer Randy Tindell design the road, and the residents of County Road 517 meet with the commission at a later date to sign the deeds and clear up the matter.

Later in the meeting, Tindell addressed the road paving issue and presented a priority list on paving roads to the commission. The list included: County roads 272, 518, 641, 517, 536, 546, 520 and 655.

He said this list was created as a result of a work session and recommended that the commission approve the paving of the roads in the above mentioned order. The list was approved by a unanimous vote.

Commissioner Brooks reminded everyone that the Farmer's Market Food Vouchers are still available for application by senior citizens.

An applicant must be 60 years of age or older on the day of issuance, and their total annual income for the household must not exceed \$16,391 for a household of 1 (\$1,366 monthly); \$22,089 for a household of 2 (\$1,841 monthly); or \$27,787 for a household of 3 (\$2,316 monthly).

The Farmer's Market coupons may be used at the Farmer's Market held at the New Brockton Farm Center every Tuesday and Friday mornings starting at 7 a.m.

Commissioner Stephens said the weather has caused things to be a bit slow at the market thus far, but more produce is expected in the next couple of weeks.

Anyone interested in applying for the vouchers should come by the Coffee County Commission office at the county complex in New Brockton.

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Area Happenings

PRIMARY ELECTION VOTING HOURS The hours for voting in Coffee County on Tuesday, June 4, will be from 8 a.m. until 6 p.m. On the night of the election, results from each polling place will be received at the Farm Center in New Brockton. The public is invited to attend and to review the results as they come in.

ELBA PUBLIC LIBRARY The library will present Summer of Mystery, the summer reading program, at 10 a.m. on June 5, 12, 19, 26 and July 9 & 16.

PEANUT PROGRAM MEETING Peanut growers and other industry interests are encouraged to attend an information meeting Monday, June 3, at 11 a.m. that will focus on the 2002 Farm Bill and the new Peanut Program. The meeting will be held at the New Brockton Farm Center in New Brockton.

NEW BROCKTON TOWN COUNCIL The New Brockton Town Council will hold its regular monthly meeting Monday, June 3, at 7 p.m. in the council chambers at the New Brockton Town Hall. The water board will meet at 5:30 p.m.

CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION The Town of New Brockton will have its Centennial Celebration Sunday, June 15, beginning at 9 a.m. with the opening ceremony. A parade will immediately follow the opening ceremony, and activities are planned throughout the day.

During the Memorial Day Ceremony held at Veterans Park in Elba Monday afternoon, Jim Nichols, Elba Mayor James Grimes and Chris Dubisar unveil a plaque that will be placed by the UH-1H "Huey" helicopter displayed at the park and pictured in the background. The helicopter was dedicated during Monday's ceremony along with the Veterans Memorial Display on showcase at The National Security Conference Center. Also pictured is Jack E. Brunson.